## The Antland Merald.

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[From the Toronto Leader.]

AN UNSEEMLY DISPLAY. Our attention is directed to the following

paragraph which appears as "communicated" in the Quebec Chronicle of the 13th ult: THE STARS AND STRIPES ON CANADI-AN Soil .- Washington's Birth Day was reeently celebrated at the Port of Clifton, Suspension Bridge, by one Price, in the employof the Great Western Railroad, as Station master at that place, by hoisting the Stars and Stripes on the flag staff belonging to the Great Western Railroad, and on their premises in front of the Cystom House.— Mr. Leeming, Rector of Chippewa, personally requested Price to take the flag down, but without effect. After this one of the magistrates was appealed to by a party of the town's people for his permission to haul it down by force, but being a breach of the peace, he refused to give consent."

Our correspondent assures us that the statements herein made are correct. Not alone on the last anniversary of Washington's birthday did this agent of the Great Western Railway insult the people of Clifton by flaunting in thier faces the "Stars and Stripes"; but he is in the habit of doing the same thing on the recurrence of the anniversary of the Declaration of Independence of the late United States. Under ordinary circumstances no objections would be offered to flying the flag of the Republic by the side of the "Union Jack" on most occasions of general rejoicing; but when done on the anniversary of Washington's birthday or American Independence, it is very like celebrating the battle of Waterloo in France. And such a display is intended to give offence. More particularly is this the case when the flag is hoisted under circumstances which render it impossible that the "Union Jack" can be unfurled by its side. As a general thing, good sense must be left to regulate such matters; but surely in such a case as this, the authorities of the railway should give their agent notice that it not his business to hoist the American flag this side of the Niagara

The above article is of much more than ordinary significance, and will merit the most serious attention of the American people and the American Press.

In these days of National danger, disaster and apprehension, when brave men by the tens of thousands are sacrificing their lives for the preservation of our institutions and the establishment of a Republican government, when the safety for the present and for the future of thirty millions of people and the cause of freedom and liberty forever, are quivering on the balance,-every patriotic Ameri can is bound to feel grateful to all nations who sympathize with us in our fearful struggle, and to feel indignant at every nation, people and community that looks

are descendants of the inhabitants of Great Britain. The language of England is the language of America - the literature of England has become the literature of America-the common law of England has been adopted as the common law of America.

The American people have always sympathized with the English nation in all their efforts to ameliorate and improve the condition of their people, and to extend to them the privileges to which freemen are entitled.

In the fearful struggle between England and Russia in the Crimea, the wishes of the American nation were with Eng-

We made a treaty with Great Britain called the "Reciprocity" Treaty by which the Canadian Provinces gained many more advantages than the Americans .-We have the power to terminate that treaty at any time-yet we have allowed it to remain.

When famine visited Ireland the Amercan people contributed food in immense quantities to save subjects of the English government from death by starvation.

Under these circumstances, the American people have the just right to expect that when their National existence was in danger the English nation would extend to them their sympathy, and at least manifest some anxiety for our success, and for the safety of Republican institutions.

But it is now well understood that, with a few noble exceptions, the English people, and the prominent men in the English Government in Canada as well as rebels, have slandered the President and his Cabinet, have ridiculed the bravery and the drill of the Federal troops, and have anxiously desired that our Government should be overthrown, the American people reduced to a community of warring factions, and that they have hitherto only refrained from interfering in behalf of the rebels from considerations of fear or policy.

Mr. Price mentioned in the above paragraph, is evidently an American who sold his services but not his soul or his patriotism to the "Great Western Railway"opposite Detroit, which city it connects by Rutland Courier.

a "Ferry." It is constructed upon "foreign" soil and wholly by English capital, but is mainly supported by "American" travel and the transportation of "American " produce.

While we regret to see such marked manifestations of ingratitude by our Canadian neighbors, it is truly gratifying to know that we are in no ways dependent upon them for the means of conveyance between our solid little New England and our Great and Glorious West. We have several Railroad lines of our own, among the most prominent of which is the "American" Lake Shore Railroad Line, extending from Buffalo by the south shore of Lake Erie through Cleveland and Toledo to Chicago, and which is constructed upon "American" soil and was built with American " capital, and for speed, safety and comfort is excelled by no road on his continent.

It therefore becomes the imperative duty of every American citizen who has sufficient patriotism to feel indignant at the injustice and want of gratitude which has recently been exhibited towards us by the English people and the English press, to hereafter patronize the railroads constructed by the enterprise and capital of our own citizens, and wholly refrain from yielding any support to a road running upon a foreign soil and through a community which "hates" the American flag with such intensity that they propose to mob the man who unfurls it.

Furthermore, it ought not to be a vain appeal to the patriotism of our people to say, that under the tax bill now before Congress, and which will undoubtedly pass in a few days, the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Line will pay one dollar and seven cents on each passenger who goes over the route from Buffalo to Chicago, and in that propertion to intermediate stations beyond those points in passing either way. It will thus be seen that every citizen of the United States who passes over the British-Canadian Roads virtually robs his government of this tax of one dollar and seven cents, so much needed at the present time to support and carry on the war; the rates for passage and freight on both the American and Canadian lines being in all cases

In addition to the above it is not improper to observe that the "Great Westupon our sacred cause with indifference. cru Railway" acts in unison with the The majority of the American people Grand Trunk Railway, and that these Roads have always manifested the most bitter opposition to all the railroads extending from New England to the west, and that to accomplish this they have had agents located at all the prominent points of New England to solicit both passengers and freight at rates that are absolutely ruinous to the Canadian Roads as well as injurious to all the American Roads running from the east to the west.

> A REPORTER'S TRIBULATIONS .- The Pittsburgh Landing correspondent of the Cincinnati Commercial thus facetiously reports the adventures of a reporter at battle of Shiloah:

"One Henry Binmore, Prentiss's Assistant Adjutant General, saw the enemy advancing in force and made a masterly retreat on his own responsibility, clearing several fences and innumerable ditches in his determined effort to gain the Tennessee river at all hazards. He says it was a clear case of stampeding on the part of his charger. At the termination of the battle, he advanced from under the cover of a bluff, with

"Pride in his port, defiance in his eye," inquired whether there was yet a remnant of the enemy to be pursued and annihilated.

REBEL BARBARITY .- A gentleman received, a few day's since, a letter picked up at Centerville, having been left there by the rebels. The following extract from it will corroborate the many state-

ments of rebel barbarities: "I send home for Ben the under-jaw of a Yankee, which Pa will keep for him; it came from the battle-field. Persons go to the field with large bags and fill them with bones of all kinds and carry them Creat Britain, have mpathized with the off. I saw two men shot yesterday, Tigers from New Orleans. They were killed for mutiny, shot at the stake by their own company.

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Both of these papers have too large a circulation for the benefit of white people, yet neither a circulation to boast of .-Rutland Courier.

No: the circulation of the Daily Herwhich runs from Suspension Bridge wes- ald is nothing to boast of ;-only a little terly through "Canada," and terminates more than twice as large as that of the NEW

USLISAN

New Orleans America in the a exports, the great world, and far 1 the number of ste trade. The expe

The total valu including the ite bacco, molasses, Orleans in 1860 this, cotton claims cotton trade is ill figures of the rec cotton, bales, and United States.

The receipts : cash duties on \$2,620,695.

In 1860 the en sels were 2,052 v 029; the clearan of 1,248,526. Of were steamships. boats for 1860 nu boats 832.

The city of 1 Washington in 1 West longitude. course of the maje miles from its mor not more than 9 low the mouth of the mouth of the of New York: and 1306 by post It is situated on th sissippi river, whi singular bend in on its N. W, side The site of the cit and descends by a ards Lake Pontch which brings the s sippi is full, about the surface of the embankment calle the city from inunc great cost. It ex the city, and to B above it. It is fro high water mark. the city it affords menade.

The length of the river is about eigh towards Lak ? Pontchartrain nearly four miles East from the river. No city in the Union possesses more natural facilities than New Orleans; but those natural advantages have been increased more than a hundred fold, by the artificial means employed to increase them. The city has sustained many severe losses, but by the railroad facilities it has more than counterbalanced those losses. The houses are principally built of brick, and present a handsome appearance. Many elegant residences are in the suburbs of the city, with large gardens attached, and covered with trees bearing abundance of the luscious fruit common to tropical climates. The view of the city from the river is extremely delightful, and a stranger on approaching it, either from the Old or New World, is filled with amazement at this great and grand city panorama view be-

THE BATTLE AT LEE'S MILLS .- We publish this morning a letter for an officer of Gen. Smith's staff. He is a Vermonter and was present throughout the memoriable engagement near Lee's Mills, and, we think, gives a better account of the engagement than we have yet seen in print. This letter clears up to the satisfaction of the people of this State, the charge of intoxication which has been preferred against Gen. Smith. It seems to have had its origin in the fact that he fell from his horse, but our correspondent explains satisfactorily how the accident happened, and it seems that Gen. Smith, who was intent upon the discharge of his whole duty, was doubly unfortunate in this particular. For his horse being unused to battle, and taking fright, reared and broke the saddle girth, and threw its gallant rider a second time. Our correspondent exculpates Gen. Smith fully from the charges made against him. We are glad to know that Gen. Smith discharged his duty, and that the scandal which has got abroad is without foundation. Gen Smith is a Vermonter, and has hitherto been regarded a most gallant and worthy officer. And so we will continue to re gard him.

-Dunham Clark, a member of the Brandon Company, Fifth Vermont Regiment, died at the hospital about a week

(From Walton's Daily.) CAPTAIN REYNOLDS.

Mr. Editor :- This noble and gallant an was killed at the head of his compaat Lee's Mills. He was one of the ost excellent and valued officers in the h Regiment. When I was at Camp riffin, in December, while the Vermont igade was suffering most severely, three indred and twenty men being prostrate om siekness at once, his company was Il. But one man in it was off duty .e was careful and watchful of his men, d his tenderness for them was constaut d remarkable. And now that he has len at the head of his brave band, l sire to lay one green leaf upon his ave to mark it as the resting place of a pable and heroic officer and soldier, a reiful and considerate and self-sacrificman. No officer in my brother's regent would have been more missed .ne surpassed him in devotion, ability l courage. To those gallant men who e their lives for their country that they y preserve the priceless blessings of Union, and transmit an unimpaired public to our children, let us give the ed of a priceless remembrance.

Yours, &c., W. H. L.

SHARP SHOOTING .- We are permitted xtract the following interesting incit from a private letter received by a tleman in this village from a Serg-ant Capt. Weston's Company, Berdan's have not noticed it before in print .-letter is dated Camp Winfield Scott, il 20.

While one of our Sharpshooters was picket the other day he heard the rebtalking about stealing one of our big s and he came in and told Gen. Porabout it. The General immediately ared one or two brigades to watch the , but to keep in the thicket, and also ered the picket to fall back without ig. Well, about midnight twelve of 'long ears' came over, drove in the tet, looked over the property and reied to their lines

'wo regiments then sallied forth to sethe 'big gun.' They were all ranged ind it when our men sprang from their realment and fired into the rebel regiits. Their loss was 200 killed and y more badly wounded."

it of the war has produced so desing an effect upon the rebels as the that the city was securely defended: but they console themselves with the reflection that Gen. Lovell's army is now free to co-operate with Beauregard at Corinth, or at some other indefinite point whip us. with some other rebel force, and drive the "vandals" out of the South-west. The whole tone of the rebel press indicates that the occupation of New Orleans has comwhich they endeavor to make the best of

The comments of the rebel journals on the condition of affairs in Virginia are hardly more hopeful. The Richmond Examiner says that large reinforcements Gen. McDowell, on the Rappahannock, and that a junction between Generals Banks and McDowell is imminent, in may be expected within a week. It says that the rebels are hurrying up reinforcements in that direction, and urges a speedy attack on our troops as the best means there is no escape. of protecting Richmond

The same paper says that the destiny of the confederacy is trembling on the result of Yorktown. If successful, it will give us six months to carrying out the conscription act, arming and equipping a large army, and launching a fleet of Merrimacs; but, if unsuccessful, Virginia is

The Memphis Avalanche says that the Southern people are fast loosing all confidence in their river defences, and it is generally admitted that the Union army the stability of the Southern confederacy, by advising its patrons to invest whatever money they have in real estate, while purchases can be made with the money now in circulation, which is principally rebel Treasury notes.

A GOOD RUN .- The Bennington Banlage, has made this season from about 50 trees, both sugar and molasses to what is equivalent to 450 pounds of sugar. This, of the best, is doing remarkably well.

-A gentleman who has just arrived from Norfolk, says:-On Sunday he was acquaintance with some of the officers. She is fully repaired, is in fighting trim. and carries a black flag. Her roof troops can be found reaches the water-edge.

-tieo. B. Crittenden, the rebel general, has sent in his resignation, and announces his intention to retire to Texas. erate Government.

WAR ITEMS.

YORKMOWN .- We make the following extract from a private letter to the editor of the Troy Daily Times, written by a prominent officer in Casey's division before Yorktown, under date of the 29th

"Everything is done with marvellous stillness here. This struck me as very singular at first, and on inquiring I found that McClellan, on sitting his army down, issued orders to that affect. No one is allowed to fire off a gun without an order, no bands to play, no anything that would indicate the whereabouts of different bodies of troops, or their numerical strength -while on the contrary, on the opposite side of the river, every morning and evening, the music of the different regimental bands in the enemy's camps comes floating to us defiantly, and their regiments parade in plain sight. I do not think Yorktown will fall with a month's hard siege. Our enemy, even to this day, has been underrated-but not by McClellan. Take my word for it, no battle ever yet fought, will equal this in the sacrifice of human life."

Gen. Curtis has been somewhat lost sight of since his great battle at Pea Ridge. When last officially heard from, he was on the road leading across the Ozark mountains in Arkansas from Forsyth. A Memphis paper throws some light on his whereabouts. It says that he has made a junction with Gen. Steele at at Doniphan on the Current river, 'where 10,000 Federals are building gunboats, with which to descend the White and Black rivers.' The Current river flows into the Black river, and the Black river empties into the White, which forms a tion with the Arkansas 150 miles below Memphis. Unless the Confederate journal is mistaken, therefore, the energetic Curtis is preparing for a new flank movement upon the rebels.

Gov. Yates of Illinois has appointed Mrs. Mary Reynolds, wife of a Lieutenant in the 7th regiment in that State, a Major in the army-her commission being made out in due form, and having the great seal attached to it. Mrs. Reynolds has followed the fortunes or her husband through the war, and was with him at the battle of Shiloh. She is now his superior officer. Probably no woman has been or will be similarly honored during the campaign.

The Petersburgh Express of Mon-HE FALL OF NEW ORLEANS .- No day has a long editorial regarding the loss at New Orleans as a severe blow, and says the city was captured by our gunof New Orleans. The rebel jour- boats being encased with wet bales of appear to regard it as something hay, so that hot and cold shot were of no erious, while they do not pretend to use. The Louisiana, mounting 22 guns its truth. Some of them are dis- was sunk, the Express says, by our steel I to hold the Secretary of the Navy pointed conical shot. All the cotton was ame; others are in a fog as to the destroyed by fire, and the sugar emptied get of Gen. Lovell. They all admit into the river. The specie from the banks it was a disaster wholly unexpected, was all removed from the city when Gen. ey were deluded with the represen- Lovell retreated with the troops. Express says the South cannot expect to whip us when we bring our gunboats into action-but that in the open field they always have, and ever will continue to

One effect of the triumph at New Orleans will be to put in our hands whatever iron-clad vessels the rebels had pletely taken them by surprise, disheart- there. They claimed eleven of these ened them, and thrown them back upon a mail-clad warriors - but probably most dismal course of argument and logic, by of them were imaginary and phantom ships. One, the Louisiana, is reported as having been sunk by the Pensacola on her way up the river-a fact which will throw new light on the value of iron ships. Whether Com. Hollins, with his Manassas, was at New Orleans, or down have been sent by Gen. McClellan to at Fort Jackson, or fled up the river on the approach of our forces, remains to be made known. At all events, wherever the Confederate navy of the Southwest which a fierce battle north of Richmond | may be, above or below, it is certain to be bagged, either by Porter and Faragut, or by Commodore Foote's fleet. It is entangled in a complete web from which

IF It is rumored at Fortress Monroe from Yorktown that the rebels, appreciating the masterly strategical movements of Gen. McClellan, recently executed by his generals, have offered to capitulate on certain conditions. It is generally believed at the Fortress that the fate of Yorktown is sealed, and that it will be ours in a very few days.

Gov. Hurlbut recommends that the officers of the 13th Ohio battery be mustered out of the service for disgracecan no longer be successfully resisted, ful cowardice. They ran at the first fire and also intimates a lack of confidence in at Pittsburg Landing, and did not return until the next day.

The 18th Wisconsin, a raw regiment, composed of men who hunt and trap all winter, and work in lumber mills all summer, went into the Pittsburg battle less than two weeks after leaving Milwaukie, 960 strong. Their Colonel and ner says : Mr. Lorenzo Ray, of this vil- Major were killed, and their Lt. Colonel desperately wounded, and of seven Captains who went into the fight only one remains; 580 men, sick and well, are all considering that the season has been none that now occupy their camp-the rest being killed, wounded or prisoners. They were on the extreme left, and their great loss is owing to the fact that we would not fall back. Their field officers were able to visit the Merrimac, owing to his brave even to rashness, and the men would not fail them. We doubt if a parallel to this conduct on the part of raw

STAND ANYTHING .- A letter from a prominent officer of the 4th Vermont, has the following: "A few days since Gen. Smith inquired of Gen. Brooks if he 'had He is not pleased with the treatment he a regiment in his brigade that would stand has received at the hands of the Confed- a charge." "Yes," said Gen. B., "Stoughton's devils will stand anything!"

There is an old chap in the dans sharp-shooters, before Yorks known as "Old Seth." He is quite character, and is a crack shot one best in the regiment. His instrum as he calls it, is one of the heaviest scopic rifles. The other night, call, old Seth was non est. The somewhat unusual, as the old always up to time A sergeant went to hust him up—he being somewhat ful that the old man had been hit. perambulating around in the adva the picket line, he heard a low w Who's there?' inquired the serges Its me, responded Seth- and Pa tured a Sesesh gun. Bring it is the sergeant. Can't do it, side Seth. It soon became apparent sergeant that 'Old Seth' had the range of one of the enemy's heaviers and they could n ! load it for fear a ing picked off I him. Again a man shouted, 'Fetch me a couple of ersacks full of grub, as this is up and the cussed varmints shan't b agin while the scrimmage lasts was done, and the old patriot has good watch over that gun. In fact captured gun.'

After Gen Grant, Nelson, w vear ago was a Lieutenant in the W is the hero of Shiloh. Once during day, when things looked rather squ he remarked to Col. Bruce: "The trying their best to turn my flank. by G-d there are two sides las question, and if they persist I'll de bayonets !" And he would have to if it had become necessary. Abo minutes past 11 o'clock, A. M., their had been tremendously reinforced they succeeded in making us retire several hundred yards-but Nelson equal to the crisis, and gathering a superhuman energy and courage, w he imparted to his troops, he bear back, whole platoons of their men s ing our road as we advanced.

A new dodge is devised for as ing the morals of the youth in New ! The proprietors of some of the concerloons, obliged to close by enactme the Legislature, are about opening d places with the same female atten whose vulgar behaviour and merita charms have given such unenviable riety to the amusement institution metropolis. There is at present a by which such establishments as a posed can be reached.

From Mexico.

New York, M The steamship Roanoke from Han 29th, arrived this morning.

Advices from Mexico state that the Commissioners had stated at a mee the allies on the 9th, that they w longer treat with the present govern Mexico which they style "an op-minority;" that they shall aid and Almonte, as he came on express invithe Emperor of France, who expect hostilities between the allies and Me

The French bave declared war Mexico accepts, though Juarez says ernment has been disposed to adopt a orable conciliatory measures for a us but force must be repell d by force. Spanish troops are arriving at Hav

English war vessels from Vera Cruz Gen. Prim was to embark the " the last of his command, and six vessel gone to bring back ammunition, &c. Juarez has issued a call for all between the ages of twenty and sigthey were flocking to the government ard from all quarters.

The prime motive for this French in tion is said to be the establishment of government which will pay the 520,000 dollars of scrip issued by Zuolaga and Col. Butler, brother of Gen. Butter

rived at Havana on the 13th from The steamer Nellie s iled on the supposed to run the blockade.

E. A. Eldridge, Esq., of Wat has received a letter from his son-Eldridge, who was taken prise Lee's Mills, dated Richmond, Va, 19, in which he says that he was to prisoner of war on the 16th, and two others were taken with him-Ta and Elliott, of Company D. H Capt. Drew, of the 2d Vermont, them, and is well and in firm spirits doing all he can for the prisoners. knows nothing of the fate of his comp or the others engaged on the 16th # was on the advance.

THE VERMONT CAVALRY.-Col. day's successor has been appointed is Captain Hopkins Tompkins of the gular army. Captain Tompkins brave cavalry officer who made s dashing charge through the street Fairfax early in July last. The application ment is a good one, and we unde gives satisfaction to the regiment. lington Times.

V. C. R. R. NEW PASSENGER DE The Trustees of the Vt. Central proerecting during the ensuing summe new and commodious passenger depart the Central quay, just north of the ent freight depot. The building quilt of brick, two stories high, and be 175 feet by 60. The lower story contain convenient reception rooms dies and gentlemen, besides the ticke fice, baggage room, &c. The upp ry is to be used as a freight office. entire structure will cost about \$1 and will be completed during next sets Thos. W. Sillowa of Boston, is the tect, and J. C. Morrison of Manche N. H., who had the contract for the son work on the Lindsley Tunnel contractor for building the prop pot.-Burlington Times.